IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant(s):

YOSHIOKA, et al.

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Examiner:

A. Olsen

PETITION FOR EXTENSION OF TIME

Commissioner For Patents Washington, D.C. 20231

March 20, 2003

Sir:

In the matter of the above-identified application, Applicants hereby respectfully petition for an extension of time to permit filing a response within a one-month time period subsequent to expiration of the shortened statutory period set in the outstanding Office Action mailed November 20, 2002. A credit card payment form in the amount of \$110.00 to cover the required fee for the requested extension of time is attached hereto.

It is respectfully requested that any shortage in the fee be charged to the deposit account of Antonelli, Terry, Stout & Kraus, LLP, Account No. 01-2135 (503.38156X00) and any excess fees credited to that account.

Respectfully submitted,

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